

## Media Advisory

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## ADVISORY FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 25 at 8 AM

Deadline for Enrolling in the ACA's Health Insurance Marketplace is March 31, 2014 Uninsured individuals, families & small businesses must enroll by March 31 at HealthCare.gov

WHAT: County Commissioners will be joined by state and local elected officials, medical professionals, certified

counselors and local enrollees to tour the John R. Maloney Health Center, which is not only assisting in connecting the uninsured with Affordable Care Act (ACA) coverage information but is also expanding its

capacity to be able to serve newly covered individuals.

WHO: Franklin County Commissioners

Priscilla Tyson, Member of Columbus City Council

Dr. Teresa Long, Health Commissioner at Columbus Public Health Tom Horan, CEO, Columbus Neighborhood Health Centers (CNHC)

CNHC Certified Counselors Local uninsured residents

WHEN: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 8 am

WHERE: Columbus Neighborhood Health Center's

John R. Maloney Health Center 1905 Parsons Ave., Columbus

**DETAILS:** Rolled out last October, the Health Insurance Marketplace gives individuals, families and small

businesses in central Ohio a new way to shop for health insurance that fits their budgets and meets their

needs.

Consumers are able to go to one place to search for health coverage options, get accurate information in easy to understand language on different plans, and make apples-to-apples comparisons of private insurance plans. No matter where they live, consumers only need to fill out a single application to choose from health plans available in their area, find out if they qualify for programs such as Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program, or if they qualify for lower costs on monthly premiums or out-of-pocket costs.

Information about the Marketplace is available at <u>HealthCare.gov</u> or <u>CuidadoDeSalud.gov</u> for Spanish speaking consumers. Local enrollment assistance is also available at <u>ohioforhealth.org</u> or 1-800-648-1176. The deadline to enroll is March 31, 2014.

**MORE INFO:** For more information, visit <u>HealthCare.gov</u>

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